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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Roberto Puga, P.G. (Respondent's Project Coordinator) Project Navigator, Ltd. One Point Drive, Suite 320 Brea, CA 92821

Re:

EPA's Comments

Draft Baseline Human Health Risk Assessment Report Draft Screening Level Ecological Risk Assessment Report Draft Alternatives Development and Screening Memorandum Brine Service Company Superfund Site; Nueces County, Texas

Dear Mr. Puga:

The purpose of this letter is to provide the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA, Region 6) comments concerning the "Draft Baseline Human Health Risk Assessment Report" (BHHRA Report), "Draft Screening Level Ecological Risk Assessment Report" (SLERA Report), and the "Alternatives Development and Screening Memorandum" (ADSM) submitted for the Brine Service Company Superfund Site. These reports were submitted on behalf of the Respondents pursuant to the "Administrative Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study" (AOC) effective on October 21, 2009 (Amended November 17, 2009).

The EPA provided comments to the Respondents concerning the Draft Remedial Investigation Report (RI Report) by letter dated January 13, 2015, and believes that the Draft BHHRA Report, SLERA Report, and ADSM may require revisions once the RI Report is amended by incorporating the EPA's comments. The EPA will provide comments on these deliverables following the required revisions to the Draft RI Report. The respondents should provide a schedule for the submittal of all deliverables, including the Draft Feasibility Study. The AOC requires that amended deliverables be submitted to the EPA within twenty (20) calendar days following the receipt of the EPA's comments.

The EPA is requesting that a technical meeting should be scheduled to discuss the EPA's comments concerning the Draft RI Report. Please call me, at (214) 665-8507, if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter.

Sincerely yours,

Carlos A. Sanchez, Chief

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